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CROP SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 9, 2008

GENERAL: North Carolina received widespread rain throughout the week with totals ranging from 0.96 to 3.63 inches. The recent rains have been a great relief and have improved some area's surface water supplies. Temperatures were above normal for the week with average temperatures ranging from 41 to 59 degrees. There were 3.6 days suitable for field work, compared to 4.5 days the previous week. Statewide soil moisture levels are rated at 1% very short, 9% short, 65% adequate and 25% surplus. Activities during the week included tending to livestock, spring planting preparations and general farm maintenance.

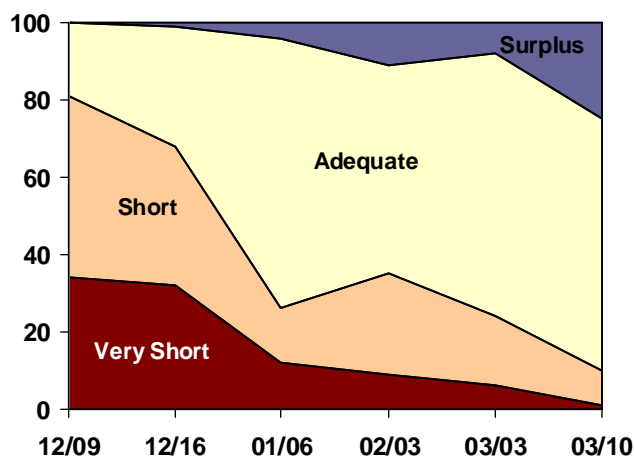
CROP PROGRESS PERCENT - WITH COMPARISONS

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5-Year Average
PLANTED:				
Cabbage	39	21	58	34
Irish Potatoes	17	15	49	36

TOPSOIL MOISTURE PERCENT

	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
State	1	9	65	25
Mountain Region	3	5	63	29
Piedmont Region	0	18	74	8
Coastal Plain Region	0	3	57	40

SOIL MOISTURE PERCENTS STATEWIDE

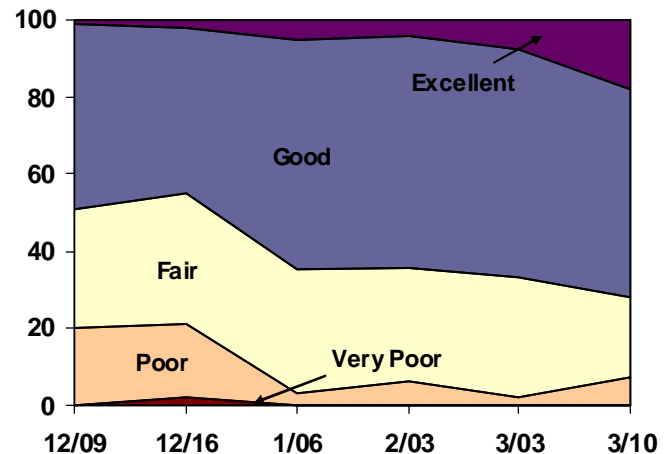


CROP CONDITION PERCENT

	VP	P	F	G	EX
Barley	0	2	15	70	13
Oats	0	1	23	64	12
Rye	0	0	15	75	10
Wheat	0	7	21	54	18

VP = Very Poor P = Poor F = Fair G = Good EX = Excellent

WHEAT CONDITION PERCENTS STATEWIDE

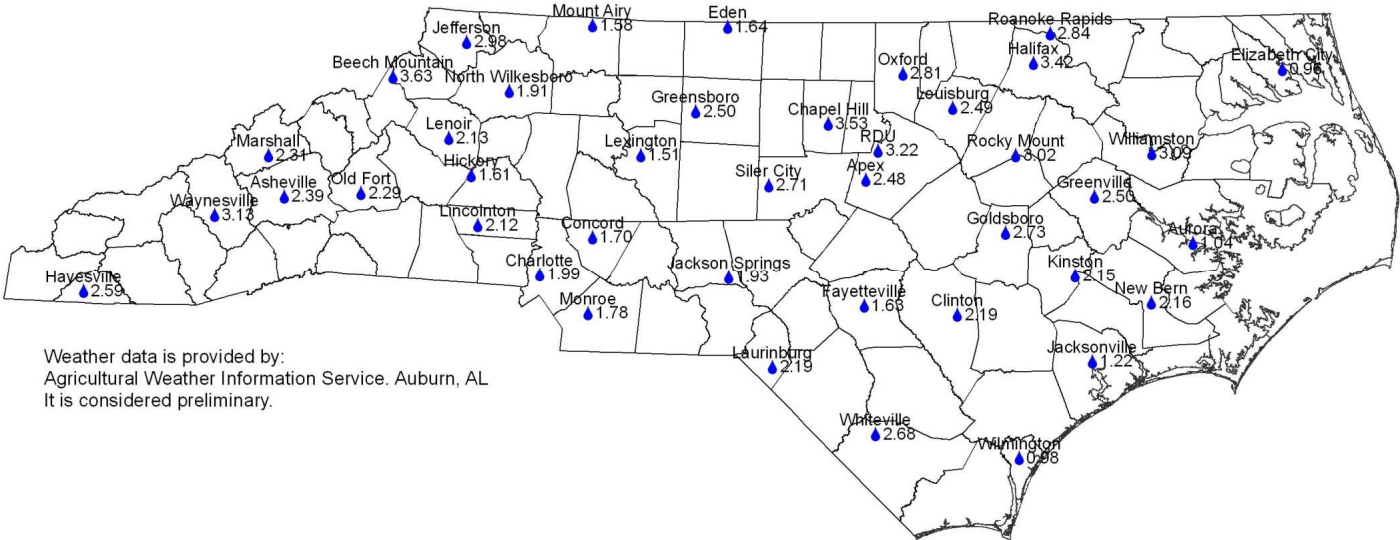


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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 8, 2008

Station Location	Precipitation (Inches) ¹				Temperature (Degrees F.) For This Week			
	Total This Week	Departure From Normal This Week	Total Since January 1, 2008	Departure From Normal Since January 1, 2008	High	Low	Average	Departure From Normal
Apex	2.48	1.50	6.86	-2.28	73	28	52	5
Asheville	2.39	1.27	8.74	-0.01	64	24	47	3
Aurora	1.04	0.13	7.61	-1.23	74	34	57	8
Beech Mountain	3.63	2.37	10.01	-0.46	53	8	36	3
Chapel Hill	3.53	2.53	8.59	-0.45	73	28	52	6
Charlotte	1.99	0.91	6.59	-2.49	73	24	54	7
Clinton	2.19	1.21	9.29	0.14	74	31	55	6
Concord	1.70	0.67	5.97	-3.01	74	24	51	4
Eden	1.64	0.70	4.19	-4.13	70	25	48	3
Elizabeth City	0.96	-0.01	4.59	-4.58	73	31	56	9
Fayetteville	1.63	0.65	7.64	-1.27	72	29	53	4
Goldsboro	2.73	1.75	9.42	-0.02	74	31	54	5
Greensboro	2.50	1.59	6.10	-1.69	71	27	53	8
Greenville	2.50	1.59	9.59	0.32	76	37	57	9
Halifax	3.42	2.51	10.26	1.45	76	30	55	9
Hayesville	2.59	1.61	12.77	3.81	70	24	46	-3
Hickory	1.61	0.47	6.29	-3.14	68	25	50	4
Jackson Springs	1.93	0.88	7.82	-1.51	73	27	53	5
Jacksonville	1.22	0.22	8.99	-0.96	74	32	59	8
Jefferson	2.98	2.00	8.33	-0.05	62	19	41	0
Kinston	2.15	1.24	8.31	-0.98	74	32	55	7
Laurinburg	2.19	1.14	9.01	-0.45	75	28	56	6
Lenoir	2.13	1.01	8.17	-0.76	67	20	45	-3
Lexington	1.51	0.53	6.00	-3.05	73	20	50	2
Lincolnton	2.12	1.04	6.36	-2.62	71	19	50	2
Louisburg	2.49	1.51	6.67	-2.32	74	28	52	8
Marshall	2.31	1.36	7.37	-0.38	68	17	43	0
Monroe	1.78	0.66	6.66	-3.25	72	25	54	5
Mount Airy	1.58	0.62	5.71	-2.35	68	25	45	-1
New Bern	2.16	1.20	8.05	-1.88	74	33	58	8
North Wilkesboro	1.91	0.83	6.44	-2.78	69	20	45	3
Old Fort	2.29	1.03	7.62	-1.97	67	20	44	2
Oxford	2.81	1.83	7.12	-1.45	71	28	52	6
Raleigh-Durham	3.22	2.31	7.64	-0.86	74	28	56	9
Roanoke Rapids	2.84	1.93	7.51	-1.30	76	32	52	6
Rocky Mount	3.02	2.04	7.01	-1.80	75	30	56	9
Siler City	2.71	1.66	7.25	-2.23	73	26	51	7
Waynesville	3.13	1.87	10.12	0.05	66	18	44	-1
Whiteville	2.68	1.63	9.20	0.12	73	31	56	7
Williamston	3.09	2.16	10.12	1.13	75	31	56	8
Wilmington	0.98	0.07	8.16	-0.74	75	34	59	8

¹ Precipitation data considered preliminary



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